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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1949-50, 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53 and monthly production for July to September, 1952 and 1953 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. Figures up to 1951-52 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Statistics of the following items are collected by the Authorities shown. All other items are collected by the Commonwealth or State Statistician.

Superphosphate	Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
Black Coal	Joint Coal Board.
Gold	State Department of Mines.
Beer Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	Commonwealth Department of Trade and Customs.
Sawn Native Timber	
	Forestry and Timber Bureau.

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Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
		Year				1952			1953		
		1949-50	1950-51	*1951-52	Ø1952-53	July	August	September	July	August	September
FUEL: Briquettes	ton	49,047	42,617	47,354	45,422	46,509	44,402	40,810	44,603	43,159	45,652
Black Coal	"	10,762	10,430	12,023	12,933	14,813	13,885	*14,520	*14,536	*13,215	13,500
Brown Coal	"	636,410	608,347	674,692	675,113	728,153	716,963	*655,422	711,478	708,337	702,221
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:											
Gas made in Gasworks	mill.cub.ft.	896	954	1,044	1,100	1,325	1,265	* 1,152	1,335	1,308	1,201
Total Electricity Generated	mill.k.w.h.	226	240	247	264	281	270	259	325	318	302
BUILDING MATERIALS:											
Clay Bricks	'000	12,240	14,880	15,434	13,544	13,230	14,394	*13,101	17,165	15,618	16,903
Fibrous Plaster Sheets (a)	'000 sq.yds.	504	551	610	502	575	526	539	544	517	532
Roofing Tiles - Cement	'000	1,595	1,894	1,934	1,363	1,638	1,581	* 1,555	1,365	1,395	1,459
Terra Cotta	"	1,023	1,025	1,035	1,212	1,258	1,184	1,332	1,484	1,311	1,403
SAWN NATIVE TIMBER:	'000 sup.feet	25,733	27,470	29,113	23,547	24,860	26,786	22,974	26,606	24,399	25,159
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:											
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	gal.	100,095	121,956	120,943	97,965	74,322	62,695	76,717	119,291	110,835	111,337
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	"	20,996	27,146	23,633	17,476	12,705	14,429	13,138	21,799	23,429	24,408
Thinners for Lacquers	"	30,603	37,738	39,165	37,487	39,762	30,326	35,198	45,849	41,371	44,696
Enamels (Nat. & Syn.)	"	42,821	39,130	48,464	*44,055	39,093	29,697	34,381	*57,465	58,602	62,999
Water Paints	'000 lb.	117	118	157	377	196	167	252	675	731	878
Soap - Household	cwt.	16,745	18,589	18,748	16,823	19,419	16,818	16,892	19,656	16,310	13,641
Toilet & Hand	"	3,798	4,650	4,519	3,748	5,324	4,415	4,003	4,526	3,825	3,451
Flakes & Chips	"	1,715	2,763	2,310	2,528	3,089	2,250	2,612	898	2,663	2,290
Industrial	"	2,523	5,268	3,148	2,726	2,447	2,142	* 1,560	4,518	3,756	2,228
Sand	"	750	1,120	890	661	772	749	540	825	539	257
Soft	"	522	650	729	568	636	636	558	778	831	683
Liquid	"	1,369	2,333	2,818	2,469	2,399	2,362	2,268	3,055	2,259	2,392
Extracts & Powders	"	22,265	25,782	32,485	30,883	38,988	26,626	25,771	45,928	34,118	29,163
Superphosphate	ton	52,069	51,257	52,750	47,616	45,019	34,564	40,604	46,668	46,673	48,319
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	"	19,836	20,165	20,234	18,538	18,489	14,494	18,290	19,301	19,620	17,372
METALS:- Gold (Mine Production)	fine oz.	5,532	5,809	5,343	5,812	6,392	5,475	5,684	7,161	5,135	5,544
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	number	4,051	4,577	3,277	3,823	3,349	3,344	3,764	3,507	3,570	4,128

(a) Factory production only.

Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
		Year				1952			1953		
		1949-50	1950-51	*1951-52	1952-53	July	August	September	July	August	September
MATTRESSES:											
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring (a)	number	5,694	6,158	6,679	7,659	6,638	5,859	6,216	8,016	7,278	7,632
Inner Spring	"	5,115	6,619	7,725	9,384	9,067	8,249	8,973	10,658	9,188	9,710
Soft Filled	"	9,974	10,950	9,027	7,343	7,299	6,864	6,962	7,093	6,055	6,392
Rubber	"								1,010	861	880
Other	"								1,427	2,118	962
ENGINES - Other than Marine - Petrol and Other Light Oils - 2 H.P. and under 6 H.P.	"	383	379	371	360	402	327	371	281	262	293
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (b)											
Under 1 H.P.	"	4,971	6,549	8,260	7,687	7,402	7,093	6,808	10,601	10,906	12,605
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	"	828	734	610	423	443	319	313	348	406	713
2½ " " " 5 H.P.	"	429	371	312	167	82	102	159	353	225	215
5 " " " 10 H.P.	"	122	178	172	103	110	68	152	71	80	126
10 " and over	"	43	42	52	43	49	60	56	37	43	64
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:											
Toasters (Domestic)	"	7,370	6,991	7,308	6,021	4,948	5,537	4,634	6,427	6,393	7,391
Hot Water Jugs (Complete)	"	12,431	11,953	12,437	6,852	5,195	2,594	2,273	8,049	8,742	9,799
Radios and Radiograms	"	8,181	10,956	7,639	5,872	4,854	4,675	5,314	7,648	7,126	6,373
Domestic Clothes Washing Machines	"	..	364	624	699	585	620	397	703	770	902
BUILDING FITTINGS:											
Stoves - Solid Fuel	"	1,115	1,360	1,307	1,094	1,522	1,317	1,229	1,438	1,059	1,276
Gas	"	1,393	1,357	1,107	900	858	753	910	1,002	1,027	1,035
Coppers - Gas	"	810	836	577	533	606	485	644	506	564	459
Electric	"	326	840	468	226	260	287	136	229	277	238
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	"	798	794	752	512	592	595	* 514	581	531	459
Gas	"	850	717	551	557	735	452	578	716	973	702
Electric	"	41	370	263	226	161	231	254	394	255	316
Sink Heaters - Electric	"	467	750	476	266	304	282	292	494	620	488
Sinks, Stainless Steel	"	4,160	5,362	5,744	5,799	7,376	6,636	5,963	7,308	5,928	5,757
PEDAL CYCLES: (made and/or assembled)	"	..	3,874	2,348	2,149	1,374	1,360	1,925	1,741	1,469	1,963
FLOOR COVERINGS:											
Wool Felt & Carpets	'000 sq.yds.	132	137	192	148	108	156	167	142	169	211

(a) Figures prior to 1951-52 do not include mattresses made and incorporated in stretchers and folding beds.

(b) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

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COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	lb.	45,695	64,461	69,657	53,549	51,797	42,441	52,466	76,715	76,597	68,922
COTTON TEXTILES: Cotton Tweeds	sq.yd.	80,017	81,702	80,705	51,270	59,513	47,463	44,090	74,442	59,294	73,263
Drills, Jeans, etc.	"	244,296	220,175	298,027	285,126	346,954	272,722	295,921	467,423	400,947	..
WOOL: Scoured and carbonised wool	'000 lb.	5,492	4,679	3,973	4,059	4,124	3,365	2,661	5,327	4,983	4,043
Wool Tops	"	1,132	1,100	792	861	641	596	674	1,250	1,299	1,320
Yarn - Worsted	"	1,055	990	775	858	697	688	738	1,137	1,043	1,139
Woollen	"	1,188	1,121	863	812	658	641	705	1,005	1,104	1,114
WOOL TEXTILES: Woven Cloth - Worsted	'000 sq.yds.	663	671	528	487	417	374	460	629	614	666
Woollen	"	826	702	564	590	322	378	437	542	617	616
Other (a)	"	211	234	127	167	74	84	111	252	226	246
Blankets	number	89,181	98,667	64,046	43,537	64,490	50,820	38,276	71,601	65,722	60,810
Rugs	"	5,857	5,536	3,652	4,043	7,972	5,799	4,456	8,198	6,588	5,011
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids' Girls'											
Fully Fashioned	doz.pr.	79,907	84,462	90,772	108,938	108,405	102,471	120,766	131,750	120,220	132,906
Circular	"	7,173	7,041	5,178	8,725	6,731	5,529	* 6,367	12,514	12,747	12,931
Anklets	"	23,321	24,391	21,018	29,057	23,668	18,336	22,284	47,934	41,329	47,003
Men's & Boys'	"	80,459	103,649	96,302	107,792	98,561	97,141	*111,304	135,508	128,910	146,677
Children's	"	38,399	34,034	31,096	27,891	23,111	20,424	28,868	44,649	44,059	43,494
KNITTED UNDERWEAR (b): Men's	doz.	39,371	36,324	39,916	32,002	42,232	37,012	32,231	45,451	41,766	49,186
Women's	"	57,581	74,732	68,436	58,805	66,930	52,427	63,787	*73,979	66,536	83,576
Children's	"	24,534	25,618	25,029	21,563	22,400	22,616	17,977	*36,973	32,294	35,716
FOUNDATION GARMENTS: Corsets	"	3,581	4,686	4,703	5,393	3,933	5,027	5,354	6,736	6,038	6,806
Corselets	"	627	440	542	308	343	260	333	399	420	408
Brassieres	"	13,525	15,887	17,290	13,413	11,187	10,655	11,854	18,648	18,963	19,756
CLOTHING (except knitted):											
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	"	25,888	26,585	29,297	23,564	29,811	26,250	24,811	28,848	27,647	33,986
Pyjama Suits - Men's and Boys'	"	6,496	5,471	6,442	5,312	5,341	5,170	4,944	6,423	5,128	7,334
GLOVES (not rubber): Dress - Leather	doz.pr.	2,268	1,792	1,087	1,718	1,458	1,363	1,778	2,068	1,146	1,215
Other	"	2,154	2,889	3,003	4,191	3,316	4,213	4,563	6,133	6,462	7,077
Work	"	1,204	1,209	1,710	1,231	1,489	1,171	1,509	1,632	1,695	1,745
FOOTWEAR (Not rubber): Boots & Shoes	'000 pr.	604	678	663	646	719	667	* 693	* 797	721	751
Sandals	"	64	80	65	39	42	50	* 71	71	* 136	160
Slippers	"	356	355	309	282	222	223	266	359	* 384	361
FUR FELT HATS (Complete): Men's and Boys'	doz.	3,613	3,420	2,783	2,284	1,657	2,480	2,546	2,246	2,695	2,252

(a) Includes Worsted and Woollen Mixtures and other mixtures and predominantly of Wool.

(b) Made in knitting mills until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.

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		Year				1952			1953		
		1949-50	1950-51	*1951-52	1952-53	July	August	September	July	August	September
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:											
Flour (from Wheat)	short ton	37,315	37,407	46,600	49,226	49,715	51,018	51,412	53,027	*48,159	44,563
Bran (from Wheat)	"	7,466	7,259	9,136	9,334	9,401	9,493	9,837	9,757	8,653	8,214
Pollard (from Wheat)	"	7,658	7,424	9,336	10,515	10,460	10,261	10,745	11,447	10,408	9,546
Biscuits	'000 lb.	2,786	2,818	3,327	2,984	3,608	3,066	2,845	3,612	3,357	3,428
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	"	2,666	2,221	1,898	1,755	2,258	1,969	1,810	2,369	2,069	2,033
Other	"	2,128	2,100	2,317	2,244	2,811	2,374	2,431	2,592	2,241	2,627
Beef and Veal	ton	10,384	11,384	11,437	10,177	10,523	9,083	9,594	11,102	10,304	10,431
Lamb	"	5,582	3,917	3,686	4,914	2,525	2,618	3,807	2,306	2,381	3,247
Mutton	"	6,773	4,670	5,396	7,689	4,290	4,571	6,464	4,652	4,296	4,938
Pork	"	554	633	726	583	427	449	* 478	536	509	559
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight) (a)	"	661	659	747	678	751	678	* 724	572	517	571
Total Meat (in terms of fresh) (a)	"	24,401	21,500	22,261	24,332	18,786	17,777	*21,328	19,374	18,193	19,952
Butter (factory only)	"	5,249	4,832	4,936	4,772	2,102	3,701	6,116	1,820	3,508	6,004
Cheese (factory only)	"	1,766	1,881	1,853	1,876	646	1,465	2,506	612	1,537	2,893
Processed Milk Products -											
Condensed Full-Cream Milk - Sweetened	'000 lb.	7,076	6,796	7,358	6,231	2,242	2,865	7,725	1,739	3,173	5,845
Unsweetened	"				1,657	688	1,767	2,349
Powdered Full-Cream Milk	"	2,803	2,165	2,232	2,221	1,289	1,779	2,359	1,592	2,610	3,269
Other Processed Wholemilk Products (b)	"	1,289	1,799	1,978	1,435	592	1,384	1,727	1,262	1,469	2,270
Ice Cream	'000 gals.	328	429	407	342	132	213	345	147	175	363
Beer (including Waste Beer)	"	4,143	4,434	4,706	5,056	4,827	4,988	5,241	4,625	4,770	5,256
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	cwt.	15,128	13,478	10,273	16,910	11,590	12,328	3,822	33,014	32,997	34,910
Prepared Breakfast Foods (from Wheat)	"	12,222	11,018	11,674	11,314	10,558	10,201	12,135	10,139	9,957	12,701
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	"	7,997	7,799	8,237	7,053	9,035	6,270	6,846	8,363	8,415	8,711
Margarine - Table	"	1,569	886	1,308	1,465	3,236	2,507	2,175	1,813	1,437	1,802
Other	"	6,926	5,507	6,973	5,506	7,091	6,524	7,182	6,596	6,314	6,711
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	'000 (c)	307	309	327	347	351	357	338	398	410	401
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (d)	'000 lb.	5,917	5,848	4,827	3,401	2,160	1,507	1,693	2,143	1,458	1,471
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (d)	"	7,954	8,511	10,368	9,273	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Peas	"	225	282	383	239	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tomatoes	"	377	237	403	194	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Vegetables	"	1,572	2,355	2,615	1,002	2,057	1,816	* 750	1,217	688	979
Tomato Juice	'000 gals.	34	13	50	101	-	-	-
Sauce	"	136	130	134	111	84	70	82	78	101	132
Soup	"	176	206	266	154	160	156	157	51	40	10
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	'000 lb.	869	914	1,004	981	947	898	950	1,058	974	1,113

(a) From February, 1953 onwards, pressed and canned bacon and ham have been converted to bone-in weight.

(b) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food.

(c) Bushels of 40 lb.

(d) Includes Tasmanian Production.